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Applicant(s): HANSON et al. )  
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For: PRIMERS FOR USE IN DETECTING BETA-LACTAMASES

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Examiner: F. Lu

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a one-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action mailed October 2, 2004, thereby extending the date on which the period of response is set to expire from January 2, 2004 to February 2, 2004.

Please charge the extension fee of \$55 and any additional fees or credit any over-payment to PTO Deposit Account No. 13-4895.

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